

**TOWN OF DIGHTON  
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH  
MAY 22, 2013**

Dean V. Cronin called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Present: Dean V. Cronin, Thomas J. Pires and Patrick W. Menges

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to approve the meeting minutes of May 15, 2013 – Regular Meeting.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to approve the meeting minutes of May 20, 2013 – Meeting with Sewer Department

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges, VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #047A-13	Payroll	\$	65,411.94
Warrant #047B-13	Vendor bills	\$	136,168.38

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Expenditure Detail

NONE

Correspondence

The Board read a food recall from Eco Cuisine.

Announcements were read by Fourth Grade Dighton Elementary School student, Abby Silvia.

Discuss Winfield Lane with Quentin & Kenneth Small

Christina and Quentin Small of 2715 Winfield Lane and Kenneth Small of 976 Winfield Lane requested to appear before the Board to discuss their opposition to road improvements on Winfield Lane. Of immediate concern is the type of material suggested to be used for the road improvements, the close proximity of wells that are on Winfield Lane and a request to utilize a professional engineer to ensure work done is correct. Mrs. Small produced a report that states use of reprocessed asphalt material has an increased

oil and lead count for the Board's review. It was noted that the road has increased in width over the last few years due to various grading (pictures were produced).

William Tommola, John Manning and John Prairie, Winfield Lane, are in favor of the road improvement for public safety purposes once proper testing of material is done and a professional engineer produces a plan. Sean Bleau, Winfield Lane, is in favor of the road improvement and further requests that the Town's largest emergency vehicle drive down Winfield Lane to ensure access to the homeowners is obtainable. All parties asked how the matter will be handled if no one agrees.

The Board noted that consideration of the road improvement was initiated as a good gesture after receiving requests from residents living on Winfield Lane. Further, the Board has no plans of making Winfield Lane a public way, is not looking to expend tax payer's money on a private way and in no way intended to create animosity between the neighbors. No action will be made until proper testing of the recycled asphalt material is completed and a consensus of all residents living on Winfield Lane is made.

Motion: Patrick W. Menges, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to instruct Thomas Ferry, Highway Superintendent, test the purity of the recycled material and to obtain the necessary engineering plans to prevent well flooding.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Patrick W. Menges, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to table any further action until the Board has consensus of all residents living on Winfield Lane.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Council of Aging Appointment(s)

Yearly appointment for the Council of Aging Appointments were presented to the Board and approved by Alice Souza.

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to appoint Thomas Ferry as Member to the Council of Aging for a three (3) year term.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to appoint James De Arruda as Member to the Council of Aging for a three (3) year term.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to appoint Julie Sprague as Member to the Council of Aging for a three (3) year term.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to appoint Gloria Johnson as Member to the Council of Aging for a three (3) year term.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to appoint Joan Woods as Member to the Council of Aging for a three (3) year term.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Accept Resignation and Recommendation for Senior Dispatcher/Liaison

The Board received and read a letter of resignation as Senior Dispatcher/Liaison effective June 1, 2013 from Vanessa M. Smith. Motion: Patrick W. Menges, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to accept the resignation of Vanessa M. Smith effective June 1, 2013.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

The Board received and read a letter of recommendation from the Police Chief Robert MacDonald and Fire Chief Antone Roderick, Jr. to assign a Senior Dispatcher/Liaison effective June 1, 2013. Motion: Patrick W. Menges, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to accept the recommendation of Police Chief Robert MacDonald and Fire Chief Antone Roderick, Jr. to assign Theresa Costa a Senior Dispatcher/Liaison effective June 1, 2013.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Board of Health Agent

In an attempt to ease the burden of the Department due to the numerous complaints received on the neglected and/or abandoned properties, the Board is seeking interested, qualified, experienced people to serve as the Town's health agent on an on-call basis. Responsibilities would include investigate and report on complaints received to the Board of Health. For more information, please see or call the Board of Health office.

Review/Discuss/Act: Read & Sign June 4, 2013 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

The Board read the June 4, 2013 Annual Town Meeting Warrant in its entirety. Motion: Patrick W. Menges, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to accept and sign the June 4, 2013 Annual Town Meeting Warrant as read.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Special State Election Warrant

The Board read the June 25, 2013 Special State Election Warrant in its entirety. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to accept and sign the June 25, 2013 Special State Election Warrant as read.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Public Input

The Board noted that request for proposals for town counsel has been received and currently under review.

Adjournment

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Patrick W. Menges VOTED to adjourn at 9:02 PM.

Vote:	Dean V. Cronin	AYE
	Thomas J. Pires	AYE
	Patrick W. Menges	AYE

Respectfully submitted,  
Boards of Selectmen/Health  
Kerrie J Easterday, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

*Patrick W. Menges*  
*Thomas J. Pires 5/29/13*